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# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE BOISE NATIONAL FOREST EMMETT RANGER DISTRICT

# Trail Restriction Silver Creek Summit Trail #044006 Bull Creek Trail #102005

# **PROHIBITIONS:**

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(b) the following is prohibited on the trails as described in this order, all within the Emmett Ranger District, Boise National Forest until further notice:

1. Use of any type of motorized vehicle on the trail. 36 CFR 261.55(b)

#### **EXEMPTIONS:**

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (e) the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order.
- 2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3. Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.

#### TRAILS DESCRIBED:

National Forest System (NFS) Trail # 044006 (also known as Silver Creek Summit Trail) from the Silver Creek Summit Trailhead located within Township 12 North, Range 6 East, SE ½ of Section 8, then northerly approximately 5 miles to the junction with NFS Trail #102 (also know as Bull Creek Trail) located within Township 13 North, Range 6 East, SE ¼ of Section 22, Boise Meridian, and within the Emmett Ranger District, Boise National Forest, Valley County, Idaho

National Forest System (NFS) Trail # 102006 (also known as the Bull Creek Trail) from one mile west of the junction of the Silver Creek Summit trail and Bull Creek Trail, located within Township 13 North, Range 6 East, SW ¼ of Section 22, then easterly approximately 8 miles to the junction with NFS Trail #112 (also know as Telephone Ridge Trail) located within Township 13 North, Range 7 East, NE ¼ of Section 4, Boise Meridian, and within the Emmett Ranger District, Boise National Forest, Valley County, Idaho.

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## **PURPOSE:**

This trail must be closed for public safety due to the lack of bridge crossings over Bull Creek and its tributaries. In addition, wet conditions threaten to impact other resources. The trail is closed to all motor vehicles. The trail will remain closed to motorized vehicles until the bridges are reconstructed and the trail is rerouted around erosive sections. The trail remains open to foot, horse, and mechanized traffic.

### **IMPLEMENTATION:**

- 1. This Order will be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until further notice.
- 2. A map identifying the above described trail is attached and made part of this Order.
- 3. Violation of the above prohibition(s) is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual, or \$10,000.00 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [Title 16 USC 551, Title 18 USC 3571(b)(6), Title 18 USC 3581 (b)(7)].
- 4. Further information regarding this Order may be obtained at the Emmett Ranger District located in Emmett, ID, telephone number 208-365-7000, and at the Boise National Forest Supervisor's Office in Boise, ID, telephone number 208-373-4100.
- 5. This Order supersedes any previous Order(s) prohibiting the same, or similar acts prohibited by this Order on the trail covered by this Order.

Done at Boise, Idaho this 26th day of June, 2009.

CECILIA R. SEESHOLTZ

Forest Supervisor Boise National Forest

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#### **Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan**

Roads, Trails and Areas Emmett RD Travel Map

#### Special Order #0402-06-22

- 1. <u>Background</u>. The Emmett Ranger District has roads, trails and areas that have motorized travel restrictions in place to protect resources (reduce erosion and sedimentation causing degradation to water quality, riparian areas, and recreational experiences; provide for recreation opportunities while reducing impacts to soil, water, and riparian resources; and to enhance the safety, comfort and/or convenience of visitors).
- 2. Intent of Subpart B Order. Special Order # 0402-06-22 supports the objectives of various EAs and FEISs by providing enforcement of specific provisions of the selected alternatives for each of the environmental documents and the motorized vehicle restrictions on roads, trails, and areas specified on the Emmett Ranger District Travel Map.

Water Quality and Erosion Control: Some trails are closed to prevent trail surface damage. This closure helps to reduce the erosion and amount of sediment that may enter the streams. Sediment is a serious threat to spawning and rearing areas for steelhead, salmon, and other fish. Additionally, trail maintenance costs are reduced through these types of closures.

Public Safety: Due to the lack of bridges crossing Bull Creek, this order is necessary to ensure user safety. Visitors should always use caution when on forest routes.

3. Enforcement Plan. The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety: Use the news media to educate the public on the need for the travel plan restrictions. District staff to post and maintain signing (on the ground) at locations and in a manner to reasonably bring the prohibition to the attention of the public. Forest Protection Officers, LEO's and other District staff will do patrols to further educate forest users to gain compliance and to take appropriate enforcement action against persons not in compliance.

<u>Action</u>	Responsible Official	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LE&I input	6/22/09
Review proposed order	SLEO/RO LE&I/OGC	6/23/09
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	6/26/09
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	6/26/09
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District Ranger PAO LEO	6/26/09

Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies. Implement plan. Appropriate Staff LEO/field going personnel 6/26/09

Approved for implementation:

CECILIA R. SEESHOLTZ Forest Supervisor

Boise National Forest

DATE

